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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bhavesh B. Bhatt
Assignee: NEC Electronics America, Inc.
Title: EFFICIENTLY STORING ELECTRONIC PROGRAM GUIDE
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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated August 12, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring on November 12, 2005. Accompanying this response is a one-month Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time setting a new time for response of December 12, 2005.

The Summary Office Action indicates that the action is non-final. However, page 5 of the Office Action indicates finality. Applicant believes the Office Action is non-final since this is the first Office Action after Applicant filed an RCE with amended claims. However, Applicant requests verification from the Examiner that the Office Action dated August 12, 2005, is non-final. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments set forth below.

No amendments to the Specification are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.